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SUBJECT: RECIPROCAL ELIMINATION OF TRAVEL CONTROLS

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REF A INFORMED EMBASSY THAT DEPT PURPOSELY HAD HELD UP REPLY TO GOB'S JANUARY COUNTER-PROPOSAL ON MUTUAL ELIMINATION OF TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS BECAUSE IT CONSIDERED FORWARD MOVEMENT ON THAT ISSUE MIGHT GIVE BULGARIANS (AND US PUBLIC) THE "WRONG SIGNAL" AT A TIME WHEN WE WERE PRESSING FOR RESOLUTION OF THE MAREV CASE. SINCE MAREV CASE HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION, WE AGAIN RECOMMEND TO DEPT POSITIVE RESPONSE TO GOB PROPOSAL AS PER REF B, PARTICULARLY BECAUSE OF ITS CSCE ANGLE. BALL IN THIS MATTER, WHICH WE INITIATED, HAS BEEN IN THE US COURT SINCE FEBRUARY. AS NOTED IN REF C, IT WAS US WHICH FIRST IMPOSED THE TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS TEN YEARS AGO.

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